

What Goes On . . .

Wed., April 5, 7 p.m. Greenbelt Crime Prevention Committee, Police Station
7:30 p.m. Advisory Planning Board Meeting, Police Station
8 p.m. City Council Budget Worksession-Public Works. Municipal Building

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Thurs., April 6, 8 p.m. City Council Budget Worksession-CARES/Miscellaneous, etc. Municipal Building

Newton Sentenced to 50 Years

Jarreau Newton was sentenced to 50 years in prison for firing the shot that killed a 13-year-old Greenbelt boy last May in Greenbelt East. Newton received 30 years for 2nd degree murder and 20 years for use of a handgun in the commission of a crime of violence.

The sentences, which Circuit Court Judge Steven I. Platt directed are to be served consecutively, are the maximum that Newton could receive under law. The sentencing took place Wednesday, March 22. If the sentence stands, Newton will be eligible for parole in about 25 years. He was convicted of the charges on February 2 following a two-week trial. A co-defendant, Nicholas Terrebroid, was acquitted of all charges. Charges against a third defendant, Rico Young, who was to be tried separately, were dropped.

Prior to sentencing, Newton pleaded for clemency in a low trembling voice in marked contrast to his calm and forthright demeanor at trial. "I never meant to intentionally kill or harm anyone," he said. "I never meant to kill C.J."

The judge, however, said that the jury had rejected Newton's claim that the shooting was accidental and that he agreed with its verdict. He also stressed the random, inexplicable nature of the act. "Maybe you were caught up in what was going on, but that's not an explanation," he said. "As your attorney candidly put it, there is no explanation." This inexplicability, said the judge weighed heavily in his decision to give the maximum sentence. "The risk to others is at best unclear," he said.

The judge added that he was accepting the request of Newton's attorney to recommend that he be placed at the Patuxent Institution. It is "possible, but not likely" that Newton could be released from Patuxent prior to the minimum time he would ordinarily be required to serve in a regular prison, said prosecutor Ranganath Manthripragada who handled the sentencing for the State's Attorney's Office. He added that he thought such a placement improbable. (A spokesperson for the Jessup facility said it provides counseling and psychiatric services while incarcerated for youthful offenders who are thought to be able to benefit from them.)

Besides the right of appeal, which is virtually certain to be exercised in such a case according to Manthripragada, Newton can also ask for his sentence to be reconsidered by Judge Platt or reviewed by a three-judge Circuit Court panel.

Trial Testimony

The shooting took place last May 13 on a hillside at the intersection of

Mandan Road and Hanover Parkway. The victim, Carlton F. "C.J." Brown II, was shot to death during a brawl between two groups of Eleanor Roosevelt High School students, one composed primarily of youths from New Carrollton. According to testimony, Brown, an 8th grade honor student at a Riverdale parochial school who lived nearby, was watching the fracas with numerous other bystanders—estimates ranged from 75 to 150—and was not a participant.

After Newton produced the gun, which he testified had been concealed in his waistband under a shirt, people scattered in all directions. Eyewitnesses who testified said that Brown, a small, slight boy, fell to his knees while fleeing and was seized and beaten by a New Carrollton youth. Newton then approached Brown and shot him in the abdomen at point-blank range.

The prosecutor had asked for the maximum sentence, telling the judge, "The guidelines don't apply in a case like this." He also emphasized its impact on the community. "This case was an eye-opener to a lot of people," he said. "No one expected it to happen in Greenbelt...a place where people wanted to bring up their children."

Victim Pleas?

Brown's mother, Judy E. Brown, also addressed the judge before sentencing. "While I feel for Jay Newton's family, nothing can bring my son back. No one involved in this tragedy will feel this pain that my family and I have gone through."

Other family members, who also attended, said that while they were satisfied with the sentence, the burden of their loss still weighed on them heavily. "We have a life sentence of not having C.J.," said June Brown, young Brown's aunt. They also said they took no comfort in Newton's plight. "This is a double tragedy," said June Brown. Added Judy Brown, "I don't feel any thrill of victory...I'm praying for Jay and his family."

A Mother Speaks

(The following is an excerpt of remarks addressed to Judge Steven I. Platt by Judy E. Brown, mother of C.J. Brown, prior to sentencing of Jarreau Newton.)

I come before you this morning to try to explain how life is without my son. . . . Sometimes the feelings are so strong it's almost impossible to put into words. I raised my three children by myself for the last eight years before C.J.'s death. We were very close. . . .

I have sacrificed and worked very hard to put them through private school and their many after-school activities. I've spent many hours in the library and going over homework with them. I knew every teacher very well. Their life was my life. . . .

He played the drums in his school band and was scheduled to try out for a spot in one of the bands at that high school the morning after he was killed. Now, when I look at that silent drum, it's such a painful reminder of what used to be, but I can't get rid of it because his possessions are all I have left. . . .

Every morning when I wake up, the first thing that hits me is—C.J.'s dead. He's no longer with us. I have to settle that in my mind before I can get out of bed. I know it's been 10 months, but I still want so badly to conjure him up, to make it all right. But the reality is, it's not all right. He is dead. I have to ask God to help me to keep going. . . . Motherhood for me was so natural. I have to work at it now. . . .

C.J. was an innocent victim of a senseless murder. The very thing that I worked so hard to



Carlton Francis Brown II

November 2, 1980 - May 13, 1994

keep my children from, took one of them from me with no participation on his part. This kind of behavior leads to nothing but grief and sadness. When you pick up a gun, you make a decision that ruins your life as well as the lives of others. Jay Newton's choice made victims of his own family also. While I feel for Jay Newton's family, nothing can bring my son back. No one involved in this tragedy will feel this pain that my family and I have gone through because no one but my family and I have lost a child.

I pray that C.J.'s death has not been in vain. I pray that parents will reinstate in their children belief and principles that would prevent disrespect of life and property. I hope that those involved realize that violence is not the answer to any of life's problems. Until our young people realize that and take responsibility for their actions, tragedies like this will continue. . . .

Large Crowd Attends Service In Memory of Slain Student

by Hopi Auerbach

On Wednesday evening, March 22, Eleanor Roosevelt High School students held a vigil mourning the death of Julie Ferguson, who had been abducted and murdered two days earlier.

Crowds of ERHS students and other community members sat in loosely-formed rows on the slope overlooking the ballfield, with the school building behind them. Some hummed "Kum Bay Ya," while they struggled to keep their candles lit in the startling cold wind. Many students held flowers—daffodils, a lavender carnation, a spray of dillweed, or a red rose.

Jennifer Prediger, founder of Students Against Violence, introduced each speaker in turn, starting with ERHS Principal Gerald Boarman. Dr. Boarman said many of the students had told him, "Julie Ferguson could make you laugh and smile." He asked them to remember that "the community is not separate from your life." He said, "I know many of you have been

angry" and encouraged the students to use that anger to take actions that could prevent a tragedy like this from ever happening again.

Next, PTSO President Clyde Reed assured the students that though it might feel odd "to react to a murder by sitting on a hillside holding a candle," they were in fact doing the right thing, because their own lights were the only way to combat the darkness.

Greenbelt Mayor Antoinette Bram introduced Greenbelt City Council members Ed Putens, J. Davis and Rodney Roberts. She commiserated with the students, saying she had already addressed them at a previous vigil for a murdered Greenbelt student, and she was

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City to Offer Reward In Death of Student

by Diane Oberg

At a special meeting on March 23, The Greenbelt City Council unanimously approved using \$10,000 in city funds towards a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killer(s) of Julie Ferguson. Combined with donations from local businesses, the reward fund totals over \$20,000.

Anyone with information should call the county police (772-4925) or Crime Solvers (735-1111). Although Councilmember Thomas White was absent, he had been consulted by telephone and agreed with the proposed reward. Any private donations that are received will be added to the reward, the council-members promised.

Councilmember Edward Putens addressed a question he had heard raised—why a reward in this case and not previous ones? The circumstances in this one are different, he said. In last year's murder of C.J. Brown, the suspects were captured immediately, so that no reward was needed. Other cases involved murders of nonresidents. Ferguson lived here, and, Putens said, the city will back "our resident and our schools."

The Greenwood Village resident was apparently abducted from Greenway Center around 10 p.m. on March 20. Her body was found in Glenn Dale the following morning. The county police are the lead investigators on the case, but city police are working closely with them.

Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze noted that at the time Ferguson disappeared, "Greenway Center was full of people—someone saw what happened." More than a dozen Eleanor Roosevelt students attended

Rewards Mounting For Student's Killer

More than \$20,000 is now being offered by a number of parties as rewards to help find the person or persons responsible for the death of Eleanor Roosevelt High School junior Julie Ferguson. Besides the city's offer of \$10,000 and Prince George's County Police Crime Solvers' reward of \$1,000, two companies are putting up 5,000 each.

New York Life/HealthPlus, a Greenbelt-based health maintenance organization, is offering a \$5,000 reward, as is Linens 'N Things, the company for which Ferguson worked part-time. Belvoir Plaza is also putting up \$500, for a total of \$21,500.

"A tragedy like this affects our whole community," said Jeff D. Emerson, chief executive officer of New York Life/HealthPlus. "We encourage other local businesses to offer their support so that this case can be solved quickly."

Domino's Pizza is also donating 25% of its sales for Sunday, April 9 to the Julie Ferguson Foundation.

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Office Hours

Monday - 2-4 p.m.
Tuesday - 8-10 p.m.
- 8-10 p.m.

15 Parkway

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Julie Lynn Ferguson

Greenbelt grieves once more. Another promising youth taken from our midst by violence. Another candlelight vigil. Another sad farewell. Our hearts are with Pam Ferguson in grief and in sympathy as she deals with every Mother's dread. We are all saddened and diminished by the cruel and unnecessary end to life so bright, so full of potential.

The death of Julie Lynn Ferguson has brought into our own homes once more the reality that violence and killing mean the tragic loss of someone who is loved and wanted. Crime victims are neither statistics nor the swarms of movie and television actors who fall to the right and left in numerous scenes of violence but rise again to play other parts. They are someone's loved one, someone's friend, someone's neighbor. This time our loved one, our friend and our neighbor has been lost and all of us are left to mourn.

Big Picture

Those opposed to further development on the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) property, as are we, must not lose sight of the "Big Picture." BARC still contains 6,500 acres, even though in past years much of its land was converted to other uses by the Federal government. The research center is about twice the size of the City of Greenbelt. Within its perimeters two federal campuses have been recently proposed, a headquarters facility for the Department of Agriculture and a Food and Drug Administration Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition. Together these would occupy about 200 acres, with some 2,300 employees expected to work in these new facilities. Remaining would be about 6,200 other acres, which must concern us as well --enough space for 60 more federal campuses.

The Greenbelt City Council, in meetings it plans to hold with federal officials, must assess other dimensions of the future of BARC: the risk of its losing additional land to other uses, and the possibility that the entire research facility could be relocated to the Midwest farmland as had been earlier proposed. The city's goal must be to preserve as much open space as possible and to minimize further development of this larger area of farm and woodland.

Simply defeating construction of the two proposed facilities on BARC, if that can be done, will not solve the larger problem, as we perceive it. The next proposal by the next federal administration could be even worse.

GHI Day Festival

by Don Comis and Kris White
City Council member Rodney Roberts, a resident of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI), will present the outstanding committee member and other awards at GHI Day, April 22. The event takes place from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the headquarters buildings on Hamilton Place. All are welcome.

Newly designed GHI T-shirts will be given as door prizes. An "All-GHI" yard sale will be another highlight of this "homecoming" festival. GHI members can have free space, on a first-come, first-served basis, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Community groups will staff tables alongside GHI committee members and staff. The Greenbelt Dog Park Association and the Greyhound Pets of America have already signed up for free table space.

For more information, or to volunteer or donate yard sale goods, call Don Comis at 345-5408 or come to the final planning meeting, April 10, 7:30 p.m., at the GHI Board Room at Hamilton Place.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DEADLINE INFORMATION
MAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS: \$30 per year. Advertising and news articles may be mailed (Box 68 Greenbelt); deposited in our box at the Greenbelt Co-op grocery store before 7 p.m. Tuesday or delivered to the editorial office in the basement of 15 Parkway (474-4131). The office is open Monday from 2-4 and 3-10 pm for display advertising; deadline is 10 pm. News articles and classified ads are accepted Monday from 2-4 and 8-10 pm and Tuesday from 8-10 pm.

OLD GREENBELT THEATRE

474-9744

Week of March 24

Fri & Sat: 7:30, 9:45
5:15 (Bargain show \$3.00)
Sun: 7:30, 9:54
5:15 (Bargain show \$3.00)

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AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

Letters to the Editor

Seeks Support

Open Letter

If you were temporarily disabled, would you be glad to see a neighbor at the door with groceries you couldn't get for yourself or a rake in hand to clean your garden, or the willingness to assist you as needed? Would you be willing to spend a few hours each month to help someone else? Wouldn't it be even better if the caregivers received an hour of credit for every hour volunteered, which could be used, banked for the future, or donated to someone else? That's how the Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service* will work.

This city has a cooperative spirit dating back almost 58 years! We are trying to ensure that it continues into the future. This week we are seeking letters of support from individuals and organizations (civic, service, business, and religious). They will go in a \$25,000 grant application packet to the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to demonstrate community-wide involvement. Our deadline to send materials for review is Monday, April 3.

For more information, please call me at home at 474-1052, or our city staff liaison Karen Haseley at the Youth Center, 474-6878.

Pat Unger

Chair, Senior Citizens Advisory Committee Convener, Project Design Committee,*GIVES



Tentative Agenda Advisory Planning Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 5, 1995
7:30 pm

Greenbelt Police Station Classroom

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Review of Sign Plan - TRW
4. Review of Request for Traffic Signal
5. Review of Neighborhood Sign Request

Thanks

Open Letter

I wish to express my thanks to all the wonderful people who attended my 80th birthday-fund raising concert on March 18 at the Eleanor Roosevelt High School auditorium. The Greenbelt Arts Center and the Scholarship Fund of the Music Department at the University of Maryland at College Park benefit by your support.

As an audience you were wonderful and receptive of the music offered.

Since that event, I have heard from at least 50 to 60 people who said they are sorry they were unable to be at the concert. But they can still participate in the fund-raising effort by sending a contribution to The Greenbelt Arts Center and indicate the dual beneficiaries of your contribution.

Again, my deepest thanks for your support.

Albert K. Herling

With Admiration

I am writing this letter as a means of conveying my personal condolences to the family and friends of Julie Ferguson. But more than this, I am writing to express my heartfelt admiration for a young lady who is truly a modern-day heroine. Julie was a character witness in the tragic murder of another young person with great promise (C.J. Brown). She stood up for what she believed in. She truly was her brother's keeper. And while her death was tragic, it certainly wasn't meaningless, because Julie was a wonderful role model for us all.

Mary Tschabrunn

After Hours

Residents may now call the city offices at 474-8000 after working hours to request information. Calls will be returned later.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

AND

WORK SESSIONS

MARCH 28, 1995 - MAY 22, 1995

Day and Date

Tuesday, March 28
8:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 30
Wednesday, April 5

Thursday, April 6

Monday, April 10
Tuesday, April 11

Monday, April 17

Wednesday, April 19

Monday, April 24
Tuesday, April 25

Monday, May 1
Tuesday, May 2

Monday, May 8

Tuesday, May 9
7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 10

Monday, May 22

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings will be held at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Regular meetings and work sessions are open to the public; all interested citizens are invited to attend. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 474-8000 or 474-1811 (TTY) before 10:00 am on the day of the meeting.

Dorothy Lauber, City Clerk

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Genealogy Meeting

The Prince George's County Genealogical Society will meet on Wednesday, April 5, at 7 p.m. in the Greenbelt Library. The public is invited. There is no charge.

Meade Hanger, a society member, will speak on "how to write and prepare genealogical correspondence to achieve results."

Dog Park Meeting

The Greenbelt Dog Park Association will meet on Wednesday, April 5, 7 p.m. at the Windsor Green Community Center. For further information, call Kris White at 474-4285.

Community Events

Recycling Service

Along with financial news, soap opera and sports updates, residents can access updated information on Greenbelt recycling by calling the Washington Post "Post-Haste" information hotline. Residents can call 202-334-9000 ext. 1600 to hear information about curbside recycling, drop-off center recycling and donation drop-off opportunities.

"This service will be useful to new residents," said Tracy Vincent, Recycling Coordinator.

At the Library

Wednesday, April 5, 7 p.m.
P.J. Storytime for ages 4-6.

Thursday, April 6, 10:15 a.m.
Drop-In Storytime for ages 3-5. Also Ticky Toddle Storytime for age two and parent at 11:15 a.m.

Saturday, April 8, 10:30 a.m.
American Voices is a reading and discussion series. Reed Whittemore of the University of Maryland will discuss Langston Hughes, William Carlos Williams, and T.S. Eliot.

Middle School Joins New Support Program

Greenbelt Middle School students will participate in the Prince Georges County Schools' Equity 2000 Program, one component of which begins Saturday, April 1 at the University of Maryland.

A student support program, it offers activities focused on mathematics, science, technology, career development, and communications. The college campus setting provides an atmosphere of high expectations that motivates students to develop their academic potential and succeed in algebra and geometry in the ninth and tenth grades and later in college.

Other Saturday Academy dates are April 8, 11 and 29, and May 6 and 13.

For more information, contact Dr. Elizabeth Robertson-Tchabo at UMCP at (301) 405-2804.

Exploring Nutrition

Explorations Unlimited, a speaker series held at the Youth Center every Friday will have Priscilla Steele as its guest speaker from 1 - 3 p.m. on Friday, April 7. Steele has been a dietitian with the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC) for 20 years at the Human Studies Facility of the Beltsville Human Nutrition Research Center.

Studying human diets and the nutrition need, Steele has been involved with the current volunteer Dietary Approach to Stop Hypertension Program (DASH). She will address the general nutrition need by seniors, the requirement for nutrition and what nutrition deficiencies seniors have as a whole.

Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. For information, call 474-6878.

Dog Club Bake Sale

The Greenbelt Dog Park Association will hold a bake sale at Beltway Plaza on Saturday, April 1, from 10 a.m. for as long as the baked goods last! The bake sale will be located inside the mall between Petstuff and Giant. For information call Kris White at 474-4285.

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

The next Golden Age Club meeting, on April 5, will be the business meeting of the month. The Executive Committee will meet at 10 a.m. in the Morrison Lounge.

Phyllis Budin is taking reservations for the Annual Luncheon which will be held on April 24, at EJ's Landing Restaurant, in the Best Western Motel in College Park. For information call Phyllis at 345-3879.

The trip for April will be "John Wilkes Booth—Escape from Washington" on April 25. Traveling from Ford's Theater, the group will go to Bolling Green, VA. Two experienced guides will conduct the tour, and breakfast and lunch are included.

Jim Maher announces plans for the trip to Hilton Head Island in September—19 to 23 (5 Days & 4 Nights). For details, see Jim at the meeting or call 513-5869. Non-members can attend this trip!

The trips are exciting, but so is the great comradery we enjoy at our meetings. Join us!!

Fun at Goddard

The Goddard Space Flight Visitor Center invites people to participate in its model rocket launch program on Sunday, April 2, at 1 p.m. People can bring their own rocket or just come out and enjoy watching the other rocket enthusiasts. All launches are monitored for safety and are held weather permitting. For information call (301) 286-8981.

Toastmasters Meet

Spring Speakers Toastmaster Club meets on the first and fourth Thursdays of the month. The next meeting is Thursday, April 6, at 7 p.m. at the Fountain Lodge, 6220 Springhill Drive. Learn and practice techniques of effective public speaking. Guests are welcome.

GHI Day!

April 22

Hamilton Place

All-GHI Yard Sale: 8:30-5

All-GHI Party: 10 a.m.-5

Everyone Welcome.

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April 7, April 8

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Tuesday, April 4th
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Next Performance

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Sat., April 1st
10 a.m.

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Still Need Performers
Call 441-8770

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

Recreation Review

Discount Amusement Park Tickets

Once again for convenience and at a substantial cost savings, the Greenbelt Rec. Depart. is providing amusement park tickets for the 1995 season. Parks included are Kings Dominion, Dorney Park, Hershey Park, Six Flags-Great Adventure, Adventure World, Sesame Place, and Busch Gardens.

Tickets may be purchased at the Youth Center Business Office, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. beginning Thursday, April 6.

Payment may be made by cash, money order or certified check. No personal checks and no refunds. For additional information call 474-6878.

Schrom Hills Park Kite Flying Contest

Winners of the kite flying contest held March 26 are as follows: Highest kite-Dennis Triotta; Smallest kite-Sarah Johnson; Biggest kite-Wetzstein Family; Best store bought kite-Joe Calalang; Prettiest kite-John Perkinson; Best homemade kite-Colin Byrd; Youngest kite flyer-Jesse Brown; Oldest flyer-Bill Webster.

City Tennis Court Use

Spring is here and tennis players are reminded to check posted rules for the city's tennis courts. Greenbelt residents have priority for use of the courts.

City Athletic Field Use

First priority for practice and games on city fields will be permitted to residents and city leagues. Permits are effective April 1. All other use is on a first-come, first served basis.

Paint Branch Unitarian Church
3215 Powder Mill Road
Sun., April 2, 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.
"Pushed and Called"
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Rev. Rod Thompson
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Olden Perry, Sr.

Olden Dumont Perry Sr., 7 Court Crescent Road, died on March 21. He was 81.

Born and raised in Sandy Bottom on Maryland's Eastern Shore, he moved to Riverdale at the age of 17 after graduating from high school "to make my fortune." There he met his wife Esther. They were married in 1936.

In 1943 the family, now with two children, moved to the new town of Greenbelt they had heard about, living first in the 2 Court of Eastway before moving to their permanent home on Crescent Road.

Mr. Perry worked for Mazo Lerch Co., a food wholesaler sell-

ing to restaurants and schools. He retired as assistant to the president after working there 55 years.

Mr. Perry loved bowling and watching local softball games.

He is survived by his daughters Ruth Ann Kobza, Susan, and Peggy Dutton, sons Olden, Jr. and Richard; sister Opal Capel; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Borgwardt Funeral Home in Beltsville. Interment was at George Washington Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice of Prince Georges County, 96 Harry S. Truman Drive, Largo, MD 20772.

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Reverend Drew Shofner -- Pastor

Bible Study for all ages (Sun.) 9:45 AM
Worship Services (Sun.) 11:00 AM
6:00 PM

Midweek Prayer Service (Wed.) 7:45 PM

For transportation, or questions, call 474-4212 9:00 to 1:00



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Saturday 5 p.m.

Daily Mass: 7:30 a.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. Monday-Saturday
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:45-4:45 p.m.

Rev. Thomas F. Crowley, Pastor
Rev. G. Paul Herbert, Associate Pastor

Greenbelt Community Church



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Phone: 474-6171 mornings

10:15 a.m. Sunday Worship

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Our Neighbors

by
Linda Savaryn
474-5285

Our sympathy to the Perry family on the death of their father, Olden Perry, Sr.

Congratulations to Brittany Brent, first grader who was the winner of Greenbelt Elementary

School's After School Program's first Math Bee for first to third graders. Second place winner was Christina Kovash, second grader.

Marine Cpl. John F. Bryant, son of John M. Bryant of Crescent Road, recently received a Meritorious Mast.

Bryant was cited for outstanding service while assigned with

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A Meritorious Mast is an official recognition from a Marine's commanding officer for superior individual performance. It is issued in the form of a bulletin published throughout the command, and a copy is entered in the Marine's permanent service records.

The 1990 graduate of Eleanor Roosevelt High School joined the Marine Corps in July 1990.

Army Pfc. Oludare A. Olodum has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

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A REVIEW

Just "Taking My Turn"

by A. Kuei

By the end of the second song of "Taking My Turn," I knew that the audience would be leaving with fond memories. This musical about "People in their Prime" says infinitely more than the title suggests. It sends a powerful message that transcends time and physical and mental boundaries.

Just "Taking My Turn"

Because these "People in their Prime" had had full lifetimes, mixed with regrets as well as triumphs, which they bore with grace and undimmed enthusiasm. "C'est la vie, etc... etc...etc..." with shoulders thrown back as they strolled down the pathway of life.

If you want to hear a voice rich and deep enough to make you "wanna holler and sing the blues," go hear Charlie Brown belt out "I Never Made Money from Music." And Dan Kerr can serenade me any day of the week. What a magnificent baritone! You can reminisce about the days when you flew a kite up to the highest skies along with Bill Pruett, whom I had chuckled at in a rendition of Guys and Dolls last year. And Dave Robinson, whose striped shirt, a la "The Music Man," was probably the envy of every man in the audience, crooned mellowly.

I only mentioned the gentlemen first because truly great malesingers seem to be a minority. The ladies were tremendous! Priscilla Struthers, has a voice of pure gold, whether she was singing a haunting solo about a son's death in April or perfectly complementing Dan Kerr in a soulful duet about a "love affair to remember." If a morning glory could sing, its voice would be full of Spring and Vivaldi as Cindy Peslen's. Trix Whitehall, who also performed splendidly in the "Merry Wives of Windsor," sang very, very well. And I'm glad to see that Rosemary Burns was finally persuaded to dance. After her heartbreaking solo, I was depressed enough to want to sing the blues myself.

"Taking My Turn" will run Friday and Saturday Evenings until April 8 with a Sunday matinee performance on April 2 at 2 p.m. Call 441-8770 for reservations.

The production, directed by Mary Lou Fisher and produced by Konrad Herling, included a live band.

Greenbelt's Big Tree**Champions on Co. Tour**

Four trees in Greenbelt will be included on an Arbor Day tour of Big Tree Champions of Prince Georges County. Two of the Greenbelt trees are located in Schrom Hills Park, whose original layout had to be redesigned in order to save them. They are a 46-foot tall deodar cedar with a 51-foot crown and a 47-foot longleaf pine with a 37-foot crown.

Two trees in the original part of the city are also included—a 72-foot London plane tree near the postoffice and a 29-foot star magnolia on the former Center School property. Big Tree Champions are the largest and grandest of their species in the county. The list, which includes 144 different kinds of trees, results from a continuing search that began in 1986.

Forty-seven of the county trees are also Maryland State Big Tree Champions and one—a white basswood at a residence on Church Rd. in Mitchellville—has been nominated for the National Register of Big Trees. An arborvitae that was thought to qualify for the National Register and that was located at Allentown Mall, has been cut down.

The county's Big Tree Tour begins at 9 a.m. at the Prince Georges Equestrian Center in Upper Marlboro and concludes at 3 p.m. at Montpelier Mansion in Laurel.

Anyone who wants to nominate a new Prince Georges County Big Tree Champion or wishes to make a reservation for the Big Tree Tour should call M-NCP's Mike Mennett at (301) 627-6074.

The April 5 event is sponsored by the Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission (M-NPPC).

NOTICE TO GHI MEMBERS

LEAF BAGS AVAILABLE**AT COST**

Effective April 1st, leaf bags will be sold to members at cost - currently 45 cents each. Bags will be bundled and sold at the reception area in lots of ten only at a cost of \$4.50. NO CASH WILL BE HANDLED. Checks should be made payable to GHI and members must pick up bags - no deliveries will be made by staff. If you are unable to pick up please arrange with a neighbor to do this task for you.

"Whose Budget Is It?" Council Hears Manager Propose Tax Hike

by James Giese

In turning to City Manager Daniel G. Hobbs to make a budget presentation at the start of the March 27 regular meeting, Mayor Antoinette Bram made clear, Hobbs was presenting "what is his budget tonight." She further noted that the manager had proposed a four-cent tax rate increase last year, but after council review and finding of additional revenue, the budget had been adopted without a tax rate increase.

"His budget" will later become "our budget," after council review and such changes as its members might make, Bram noted. Councilmember Thomas White reemphasized Bram's distinction by asking Hobbs before he could begin his presentation, "Whose budget is it?"

Council's nervousness about the budget was made clear when Hobbs announced again he was seeking a four-cent increase in the property tax rate. In justifying the increase, Hobbs noted that most revenue sources were flat as to growth, overall property assessments had declined in Greenbelt for the first time in its history and the city had to fund operation of the new community center, scheduled to open in late summer. The loss of value of property assessments amounted to the equivalent of a four-cent tax rate; the cost of operating the community center would be another six-cents, he said which he believed justified a 10-cent tax rate increase instead of the four cents he was actually proposing.

Budget Objectives

In preparing the \$12.7 million dollar General Fund budget, Hobbs said his objectives followed the stated council sentiment to maintain quality services, keep the tax rate as low as possible and open the community center at a reasonable cost. A gap of \$500,000 between revenues and expenditures had been projected earlier. To reduce the budget gap, the city staff had prepared more than 60 options which council had reviewed at an earlier work session. It was then a matter for Hobbs and the city staff to make choices and establish priorities.

Hobbs outlined five key instructions to staff for the budget:

1. Maintain quality service at the most reasonable cost.
2. Protect the city's fiscal position.
3. Open the community center.
4. A tax rate increase.
5. Treat employees fairly.

He believes these objectives had been accomplished in the budget presented.

City employees will not receive a cost-of-living adjustment this year if Hobbs' budget is approved. On the other hand, there will be no employee layoffs, freezes or cutbacks in salaries or benefits, as experienced in some other jurisdictions. Besides normal pay adjustments scheduled in the city pay plan, Hobbs proposed that the above-average employees receive a one percent bonus pay increase at the time an employee is eligible for a pay step increase.

The operating budget for the new community center will be \$468,000. Supporting revenues are estimated at \$149,000, leaving \$319,000 to be financed from tax revenue.

Special Budgets

Besides the city's General Fund, budgets were also submitted for Green Ridge House, the Equipment Replacement Fund, the Debt Service Fund and the Capital Improvements Funds. Hobbs proposes funding 33 of 108 capital projects at a cost of \$3.2 million dollars.

Summary of Accomplishments

In his presentation, Hobbs cited accomplishments achieved during the current year. New crime-related programs included community-oriented policing, a school resource officer and the opening of a police substation at the Beltway Plaza. In

code enforcement, a parking enforcement program was established with particular emphasis on parking violators in handicapped spaces and in fire lanes.

He noted completion of the Roosevelt Center parking lot renovation program, which was \$150,000 under budget without using city tax funds. The renovation increased green space by 17 percent and added 24 parking spaces, he noted.

Other accomplishments were the forming of the Four City Coalition (Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights and New Carrollton) to

The City Budget at a Glance

- * \$12,732,600 General Fund Budget, a \$460,600 or 3.7% increase.
- * 36% of all General Fund expenditures go to Public Safety.
- * Property tax rate increases 4 cents to \$1.395 to offset assessment decrease.
- * Real property assessments have decreased by 3.6%.
- * One cent on tax rate equals \$52,900.
- * 188.6 full time equivalent positions, up from 185.5 in FY 1995.
- * 64% of all General Fund expenditures are for personnel.
- * No Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) for employees; 1% increase for above average evaluation is included. Merit increases and leave buyback program are included; deferred compensation contribution for Pension System employees increased 1%.
- * One half a position added in Finance and Administrative Services to strengthen financial controls.
- * First phase of Police automation upgrade funded.
- * No contribution to Greenbelt Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department.
- * Additional administrative support in Public Works included during core hours.
- * \$120,000 budgeted for temporary help to assist the core Public Works staff as needed (up from \$95,500 in FY 1995). This amount is equal to six full time equivalents.
- * County landfill disposal rebate is at risk, possibly necessitating a residential collection fee increase.
- * Opening and full year's cost of Community Center is proposed - \$468,100.
- * Aquatic and Fitness Center pass fees are being raised by 3%. Daily admission fees in the summer months are increasing by between 25 cents and one dollar.
- * \$3,238,000 included for 33 capital projects, including completion of the Community Center, Greenbrook Lake, Lakewood drainage improvements, and reconstruction of Ridge Road and Parkway.

Source: City of Greenbelt Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 1995-96.

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address matters of mutual concern and the formation of an advisory committee on education.

New items proposed to be funded by the budget besides the community center include: the Take Back Our Streets program of the police department; a part-time position in the finance department enabling internal audits at least 24 times a year; an ambitious work program for the Department of Planning and Community Development, \$120,000 for temporary help in the Public Works Department; a tutoring program at Springhill Lake and staffing of the education committee by Greenbelt CARES; and the beginning of a new records centralization program for the police

department, to be funded over three years by the Equipment Replacement Fund.

Hobbs noted the cover for the budget volume, consisting of pictures of employees, board and committee members, and citizens. He said that the budget is dedicated to all the people who make good government work in Greenbelt. His presentation was televised as part of the council meeting, and for the second year the televised presentation included computer-generated slides displaying the outline of the budget presentation and significant budget figures.

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Murdered Student Testified at Trial

Greenbelt Chief of Police James Craze said that police investigators are looking into a possible connection between the recent death of an Eleanor Roosevelt High School student and the trial of two New Carrollton youths for the murder of a Greenbelt boy last May. Julie Lynn Ferguson, 17, whose body was found at the side of a road in Glenn Dale on Tuesday, March 21, appeared briefly as a defense witness at that trial. One defendant was sentenced to 50 years in jail the day after her body was found. (See accompanying story.)

"It's being looked into," said Craze, who spoke in an interview Friday, March 24. "All areas are being looked into." He stressed, however, that the investigation was in an early

phase and that without suspects, the field of possibilities being considered was quite broad and included many different scenarios.

Ferguson was last seen the evening of March 20 at Greenway Center while waiting for a ride home from her job at Linens 'N Things. Police believe she was abducted and murdered.

Ferguson testified briefly as a character witness for Nicholas Terrebrood, who was acquitted on all charges in the murder of Brown. His co-defendant, Jarreau Newton, was convicted of 2nd degree murder.

Ferguson's testimony, which lasted only minutes, appeared to play an insignificant role in the two-week trial. She was one of a large number of character witnesses who attested to Ter-

rebrood's reputation for honesty and peaceable conduct. She said she had known him for about two years. She also testified that she saw the fight from a distance while on her way home from school and heard the shot that killed Carlton F. "C.J." Brown II. She was not an eyewitness to the shooting itself, and did not know Brown. Her testimony pertained to none of the facts at issue, which were covered in great detail by other witnesses.

County police spokesman Al Gibson said county police, who are leading the investigation, have little to go on and are downplaying the connection. "The only link we are aware of is that she did in fact testify as a character witness. We have no reason to believe that that has anything to do with this, with her murder." He said if someone came forward with some information suggesting a link, it would be investigated.



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VIGIL

(Continued from page one)

determined not to have to do so again. The mayor said she had spoken with the other city councilmembers present, and they had agreed to meet to consider a reward of \$10,000 for information leading to the identification of Julie Ferguson's abductor. This statement was met by applause from the assembly.

Mayor Bram then shared an appropriate stanza from "To a Mistress Dying" by 17th-century poet Sir William Davenant. As she read, many of the students who had been sniffling began to weep more audibly.

Then vigil officiator Jennifer Prediger read a letter sent by School Board Vice Chair Suzanne Plogman, which expressed her wish that Julie's murderer be brought to justice "so that Julie's life will not have been taken in vain." County councilmember Audrey Scott asked all those at the vigil to hold hands with the person sitting next to them, and reminded the students never to take life for granted.

Remarks were also made by ERHS Peer Mediation coordinator Sharon Lewis and Students Against Violence spokesperson Humphries. Then, friends, relatives, and teachers offered personal observations on Julie Ferguson's life.

Numerous TV stations and other media, including a reporter from Fox News, were present at the vigil, with five video cameras and bright television lights trained on the speakers' podium throughout the proceedings.

The vigil was also attended by many community leaders who did not formally address the crowd. PFC George Mathews, spokesman for the Greenbelt Police Department, estimated the size of the crowd attending the vigil at about 1,000 people. Mathews said it was touching to see so many students coming together. "This is a good school, with good kids, so this large turn-out is not unexpected."

Rev. Dan Hamlin of Greenbelt

Community Church said that in addition to himself, Greenbelt clergy Rev. Art Shotts, Mowatt Memorial U.M. Church and Rev. Sid Conger, Berwyn Presbyterian Church, were among the approximately 1,000 attendees. Hamlin called the vigil "an enormously sad occasion. Everybody in the community is wounded. I have a horrible helpless feeling about this. I think many folks do. I hope never to have this occasion again, but then I already hoped that after the C.J. Brown vigil."

Greenbelt Police Chief James Craze said, "Looking at all these kids out here, with the school building behind them, makes me think about how some lessons are hard to learn."

The sound system for the vigil was provided by radio station WPGC located in Capitol Office Park. Afternoon drive time Deejay, Albie Dee, told this reporter, "Some of the kids came by the station today to invite everyone to this vigil and to ask if anyone has information about who did it. It was tough to see five teenagers crying in your studio when you're trying to do a show. Y'know, we're supposed to be upbeat. Those kids did a great job today."

Between the hillside where the vigil was being held and the school's parking lot, Students Against Violence staffed a table, handing out candles and accepting donations to the Julie Ferguson Fund.

Teen Talk Show

"Let's Talk About It" is an exciting teen talk show covering topics ranging from teenage pregnancy and gun violence, to gay teenagers. Filmed once a month before an audience at the Langley Park Community Center, "Let's Talk About It" airs weekly on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. and Thursdays at 4 p.m. on television, channels 15B and 18B.

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POLICE BLOTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

As a woman was walking to an office building in the 780 block of Walker Dr. around 1 p.m. on Wednesday, March 22, a man approached her brandishing a knife and demanding her purse. She refused to give it to him. The man grabbed it and tried to pull it away; when she still didn't let go of it, he cut the purse strap with the knife and ran with the purse to an awaiting car and drove off towards Greenbelt Rd. He is described as black, about 30 years old, 5'10", 150 lbs., medium complexion, black hair, brown eyes with dark circles under the eyes, wearing a dark jacket, top and trousers. The car was driven by another person who is described as a black male. The car was a blue four-door Mercedes Benz, MD tags WLK915. Investigation revealed the car had been stolen during an armed carjacking earlier this month.

A wallet was reported stolen from a woman at Safeway around 11 a.m. on Saturday, March 18; the woman had the wallet in a sweater pocket when she entered the store and noticed it missing some time later while shopping.

Reward

The Greenbelt City Police Department is offering a reward of up to \$500 for information leading to the arrest and conviction of person(s) responsible for any of the unsolved crimes as reported in Criminal Investigations in the Police Blotter in the Greenbelt News Review. Contact 507-6530. All information is confidential.

A hip-pouch type wallet and cellular telephone were reported stolen from a woman watching a movie at the AMC 8 Theaters (Beltway Plaza) around 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 18; the items had been on the seat next to her.

A person reported his car had been vandalized during a parking dispute at Greenway Center around 8:45 p.m. on Monday, March 14. According to the victim, another motorist began yelling at him, telling him to move his car, while he was parking it. The other motorist then walked up to the victim's car, kicked and punched it, and got back into his own car and drove away. That motorist is described as male, black, about 38 years old, 5'11", 175 lbs., black hair,

brown eyes; his car was a red sportscar with MD tags BLN519.

While patrolling the 6000 block of Springhill Dr. around 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, an officer saw a teenager with an alcoholic wine cooler. The 17 year old resident was arrested and charged with possession of an open alcoholic beverage and released on citation pending trial.

While patrolling the 7400 block of Greenbelt Rd. around 4:45 a.m. on Wednesday, March 22, an officer was flagged down by a woman who said she had just been assaulted by her boyfriend in 18 Court Ridge Rd. after a domestic argument. The man in question, a 30 year old nonresident, was found a short time later in the 7400 block of Greenbelt Rd. and arrested and charged with spousal assault. He appeared before a District Court Commissioner and was released pending trial.

Around 2:15 a.m. on Monday, March 20, officers responded to a report of trespassers at Martin's Crosswinds 7400 Greenway Center Dr. and found five people matching the description given at the front of the facility. The complainant confirmed that those people, five nonresident men ranging in age from 22 to 28, had forced their way into a hair show earlier that day and refused to leave. All five were arrested and charged with trespassing, and released on citation pending trial.

As a man was walking to his desk in an office suite in the 7400 block of Greenway Center Dr. around 10:15 a.m. on Thursday, March 23, he saw a suspicious man who said he was there to measure the carpet. The suspicious man then left. A short time later, the office worker discovered several items missing, including blank checks and a pair of glasses. The suspicious man is described as black, 25-30 years old, 5'7", 160 lbs., black hair, dark eyes, wearing Khaki pants and a plaid shirt.

Burglaries

Residence in the 9100 block of Edmonston Ct., Wednesday, March 22: Entry was gained by prying open the patio door; home electronic equipment was stolen.

Residence in the 6100 block of Brezewood Dr., Wednesday, March 22: Entry was gained by prying open the patio door lock; although dresser drawers had been rifled through nothing seemed to have been stolen.

Vehicle Thefts

7200 block Mandan Rd., Friday, March 17: light blue over dark blue two-door 1987 Ford Thunderbird, MD tags BPY164.

7400 block of Greenway Center Dr., Saturday, March 18: 1990 Honda

Accord, recovered the next day.

White patrolling the 6100 block of Springhill Terr. around 1:30 a.m. on Friday, March 17, an officer stopped a vehicle for a traffic violation and found a quantity of suspected crack cocaine within it. As a consequence, a 25-year old nonresident man was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute. He appeared before a District Court commissioner and was held on \$30,000 pending trial.

Vandalisms to, thefts from, and attempted thefts of vehicles were reported in the following areas: Centerway, the 6000 and 7200 blocks of Greenbelt Rd., The 5800 block of Greenbelt Metro Dr., and the 6900 block of Honover Pkwy.

9200 block of Edmonston Rd., Sunday, March 19: black two-door 1984 Toyota Supra, MD tags SPORTEN.

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Taxpayers with questions can also contact the nearest local taxpayer service office during special evening telephone assistance hours from 5 to 7 p.m. on the first two Mondays in April.

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Taxpayer service offices offer free helpful brochures and forms. Taxpayers can have their Maryland return completed free of charge as long as they bring a completed copy of their Federal return and W-2 statements. Forms are also available at libraries and many financial institutions and post offices. The office locations and phone numbers are listed on the back of the Maryland income tax booklet and in most local phone directories.

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Each concert will conclude with a newly commissioned work on a tricentennial theme. The final concert of the series will feature massed choruses and choirs from around the metropolitan area.

The entry deadline is April 15 for joint choral works; May 1, for the massed choral concert. All concerts will be open to the public. For a complete score and call prospectus outlining details, please contact 454-1459; TTY 454-1472.

Patuxent River Park Seeks Volunteers

The Patuxent River Park, Croom Airport, Upper Marlboro, is seeking volunteers for its nature program.

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The first session is for new volunteers and will be held from 9:30 a.m. to noon. This session will include an introduction to the park and walking tour.

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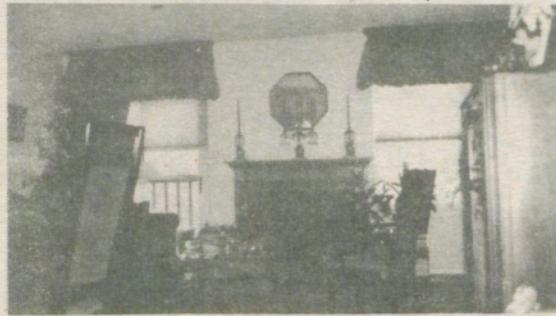
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As honored guests for the day, centenarians are invited to enjoy the ceremony and luncheon free of charge. Centenarians who are unable to attend the May 18th ceremony and luncheon should call the Maryland Office of Aging to receive a special Certificate of Recognition.

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Anyone interested in a four-year school is encouraged to take advantage of the free Career College Fair, particularly parents, high school seniors and current PGCC students interested in transferring.

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Electronic Filing Can Help Some Who Owe

State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein says Maryland's electronic filing program for state income tax returns could be a boon to taxpayers who find they owe additional tax to IRS when they compute their 1994 federal income tax returns.

"Many taxpayers who owe additional federal income tax for 1994 are waiting to file their federal income tax returns until close to the filing deadline,

which this year is Monday, April 17," Goldstein said.

The comptroller noted some taxpayers may mistakenly believe they will also owe additional Maryland tax when in fact they will be due refunds from the state.

"Those taxpayers should consider electronic filing for an exceptionally quick turnaround of their Maryland tax refund check and use that Maryland refund to help pay the additional income tax they owe to the IRS," Mr. Goldstein said.

In addition to the rapid turn-

around of refund checks, the Maryland electronic filing program saves Maryland taxpayers money because it eliminates several steps in processing state tax returns.

Taxpayers can take advantage of electronic filing even if they complete their own returns. Professionals participating in the electronic filing program will transmit the return electronically for a lesser fee, even if they did not complete the return for the taxpayer. Taxpayers can find professional preparers participating in the Maryland program throughout the state.

REWARD

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the meeting. When one asked what they could do, Craze and the councilmembers urged that they give police their eyes and ears-report any information they may have heard that may be related to the case, including rumors. He promised that every lead will be checked.

In response to students' questions, Craze said that Ferguson had not been sexually assaulted, but he did not know if she had been robbed. Also unclear, he said, was whether she got into a vehicle voluntarily or was forcibly seized. Until police find who did it, they won't know the motive behind the crime, he said.

The councilmembers praised the vigil held the previous evening by Eleanor Roosevelt High School's Students Against Violence. Councilmember Judith Davis said that what the group did "was wonderful. It gives us some hope that something good will happen from their efforts."

What Now

The councilmembers had different perceptions of security at the shopping center. While all were disappointed that the center itself apparently does not have a private security force, the members differed about the presence of city police there.

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Councilmember Rodney Roberts complained that there was little police presence there and that the same areas of Greenbelt East were constantly appearing in the Police Blotter. He urged immediate action to implement the bicycle patrol in those areas.

Putens and Davis, while not disagreeing about the bicycle patrol, noted that they frequently see city police at the shopping center. All agree, however, that the city needs to work with the shopping center to encourage the owners to improve security. The measures suggested include security cameras, a private security force and a partnership between the city and the shopping center similar to that which established a police substation at Beltway Plaza. The council unanimously directed the city manager to propose such a partnership to the owners of Greenway Center.

What Has City Done?

Linda Savaryn challenged council as to what the city had done to prevent crime. She argued that council had known five years ago of serious crime problems but had waited until five people were killed before taking action.

The councilmembers strongly disagreed. They pointed out that the number of city officers had increased from 43 to 47 over that period. Davis pointed out other actions, such as hiring a civilian parking enforcement officer, that were taken to permit officers to concentrate on crime.

City Manager Daniel Hobbs had prepared a list of the actions taken by the city over the past few years, including the hiring of an officer to work at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, the partnership at Beltway Plaza and the continuing expansion of community oriented policing to try to prevent crime.

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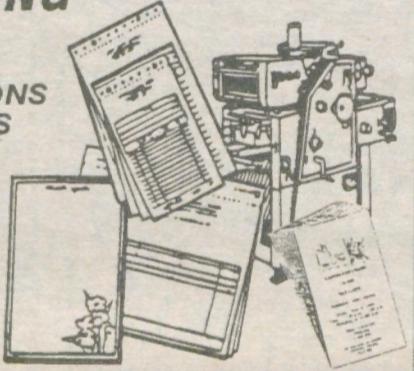
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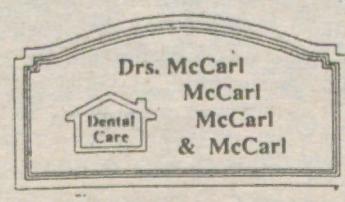
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